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SUBJ: VIEWS AND DATA ON PROPOSED PANAMA CANAL TOLL INCREASE

REF: PANAMA 1862

RE PARA 3 OF EMBTEL 1862, EMBASSY WISHES TO CLARIFY REFERENCE TO "PANAMANIAN TOLL PAYMENTS." TOLLS ARE NOT RPT NOT PAID BY PANAMA BUT BY VESSEL TRANSITING PANAMA CANAL.

A 20 PERCENT INCREASE IN TOLLS WOULD HAVE RESULTED IN A MAXIMUM FY 1973 INCREASE OF ABOUT \$450,000 FOR PANAMANIAN TRADE OVER THE ESTIMATED \$2.2 MILLION IN TOLLS ATTRIBUTED TO CARGO ORIGINATING OR DESTINED TO PANAMA THAT WERE PAID BY SHIPS TRANSITING THE CANAL IN FY 1973. THE ACTUAL IMPACT ON THE PANAMANIAN ECONOMY MIGHT BE SOMEWHAT LESS, DEPENDING ON THE DEGREE OF ABSORPTION OF INCREASED TOLL COST BY THE BUYER AND/OR SELLER AND THE POSSIBLE DIVERSION OF PRODUCTS TO OTHER INTERNATIONAL MARKETS WHICH WOULD NOT REQUIRE USE OF THE CANAL.

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